

Providing Your Comments

Public involvement is a critical element in the development and delivery of this project. DTCl strives to provide opportunities to the public to participate in public decisions on Parks, Recreational, and Culture Facility projects and programs. The comment sheet in this brochure has been provided to assist you in making your comments. You may leave this sheet, or any other written comments, in the comment box. You may also mail or email comments, which will be considered by the team in choosing the preferred alignment.

Comments must be received by July 7, 2017 to be included in the Citizen’s Information Meeting record.

HOW TO PROVIDE COMMENTS

Tonight’s Meeting:

- Engage in discussions with DTCl staff and project representatives
- Provide comments during the open forum
- Submit written comments on comment sheet provided

After Tonight’s Meeting (deadline July 7, 2017):

- Email: DTCl Contact: gary.pozzouli@loudoun.gov
- Mail: Mr. Gary Pozzouli
Loudoun County
Department of transportation & Capital Infrastructure
101 Blue Seal Drive SE, Suite 102
P.O. Box 7500
Leesburg, VA, 20177-7500

Please reference “Franklin Park to Purcellville Trail Alignment”



View of Tranquility Road and Route 7 intersection facing northeast

What’s Next?

On July 7, 2017 the public comment period will close. Loudoun County staff will review and evaluate comments received as a result of the public information meeting. Once public input has been reviewed, Loudoun County DTCl will consider approval of the project’s major design features. The design will be taken to the Board of Supervisors for consensus. Upon Board of Supervisors Approval, the project will proceed towards the final design phase.

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

- Citizen’s Information Meeting – June 7, 2017
- Board Endorsement – Fall 2017
- Preliminary Design – Winter 2017
- Final Design – Beginning mid-2021

Civil Rights

Loudoun County ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact Loudoun County the Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure at (703)777-0396 or DTCl@loudoun.gov.

Land Acquisition and Utilities

The proposed project will require easements and/or minor acquisition of property from parcels adjacent to the proposed project. As the project further develops and it is finalized, easements for maintenance, construction, drainage, and utility relocations may be required beyond the proposed easements shown on the project plans presented tonight. Impacted property owners will be informed of the exact location of these easements during the land acquisition process prior to construction.

If right of way is required for the project, the land acquisition program will be conducted in accordance with the Uniform Relocation and Real Estate property Acquisition Act of 1970, as amended.

Information about right of way acquisition is discussed in VDOT’s brochure, “Right of Way and Utilities: A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants.” Copies of this brochure are available this evening.



Citizen’s Information Meeting
Franklin Park to Purcellville Trail Alignment

Loudoun County, VA

Wednesday, June 7, 2017

7-9 PM

Emerick Elementary School

440 South Nursery Avenue

Purcellville, VA 20132

About Tonight’s Public Information Meeting

Thank you for attending tonight’s Citizen’s Information Meeting to discuss the location and design alternatives for the Franklin Park to Purcellville Trail Alignment project in Loudoun County and the Town of Purcellville. The Loudoun County Department of Transportation & Capital Infrastructure (DTCl), in partnership with Dewberry Consultants LLC, invite you to review and comment on the plans for this alignment.

This meeting will be conducted in an Open Forum format with DTCl representatives and engineers available to describe the project, report specific details, and answer your questions.

All verbal and written comments received will be compiled in a record document and made available for public review at Loudoun County Department of Transportation & Capital Infrastructure. Comments will be considered in the final design as approved by the Board.

Comment sheets are included with this brochure and are available at tonight’s meeting. Please provide comments during the meeting or until close of business on July 7, 2017.

We look forward to working with you as the project moves forward. Thank you for coming!

Project Overview

Purpose:

- Improve access to the Franklin Park recreational facilities
- Enhance safety for all users
- Provide accommodations for pedestrian and bicycle traffic

Need:

- Provide access from the Franklin Park to the Town of Purcellville
- Part of large scale sidewalk and shared use path project from Round Hill to Purcellville

Project Details:

- From: Franklin Park
- To: Purcellville town limits
- Length: Approximately 1.1 miles
- Project type: Parks, Recreation and Culture Facilities
- Project Phase Funding: Study Phase
- Election District: Blue Ridge
- Supervisor: Buffington

Budget/Allocation:

- Study/ Preliminary Design – \$520,000
- Final Design and Construction – \$3,750,000
- Land Acquisition - \$1,250,000



Proposed location of Option 1B along Route 7 Eastbound



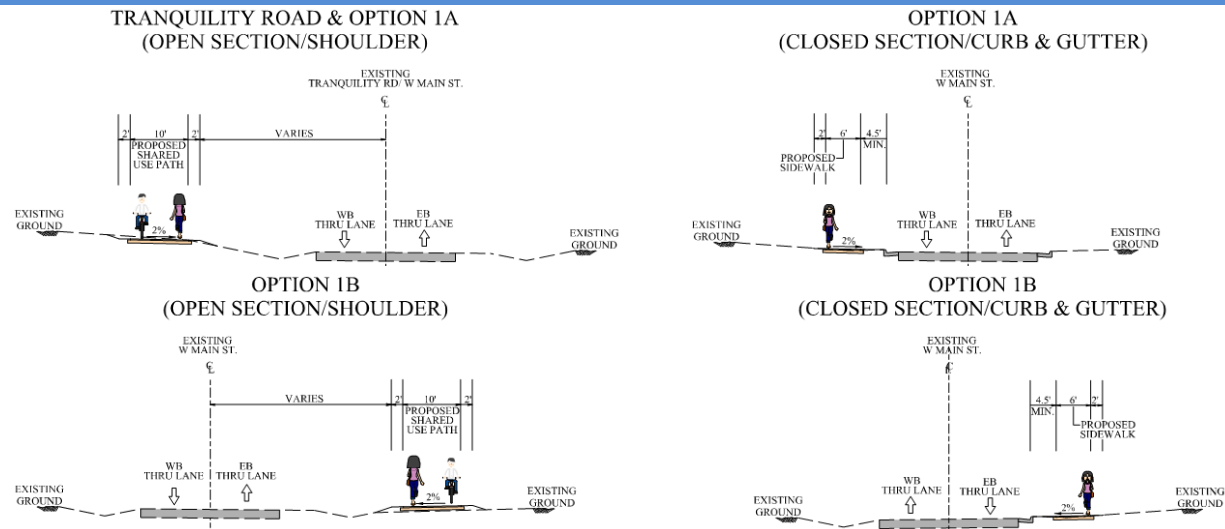
Proposed location of Option 1A along Route 7 Westbound

Environmental Analysis

Environmental studies have been, or are in the process of being completed. As part of the preliminary design process, database searches to identify hazardous waste, cultural resources, threatened and endangered species, and natural resource issues were performed. To date, no substantial social or environmental impacts have been identified.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information on potential effects of proposed improvements on multiple unevaluated historic properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is ongoing.

Typical Sections



Environmental Resources	Option 1A	Option 1B
Property Impacts	Impacts to 25 properties for potential right of way acquisition and/or easements	Impacts to 17 properties for potential right of way acquisition and/or easements
Utilities	33 utility poles will be impacted and impacts to underground communications	11 utility poles will be impacted and impacts to underground communications
Land Use, Community Facilities & Recreational Resources	No substantial impacts	No substantial impacts
Cultural Resources	No anticipated adverse impacts to the Purcellville Historic District (listed on the NRHP & VLR); impacts to 7 potentially historic properties.	No anticipated adverse impacts to the Purcellville Historic District (listed on the NRHP & VLR); impact to 1 potentially historic property
Wetlands and Streams	2 jurisdictional stream crossings; approximately 1,300 linear feet south of Route 7 on Tranquility Road and at the intersection of Route 7 and Tranquility Road.	2 jurisdictional stream crossings; approximately 1,300 linear feet south of Route 7 on Tranquility Road and at the intersection of Route 7 and Tranquility Road.
Floodplains	Potential impacts to 500-year floodplains	Potential impacts to 500-year floodplains
Wildlife and Habitat	Minimal impacts; no critical habitat present or wildlife/waterfowl refuges	Minimal impacts; no critical habitat present or wildlife/waterfowl refuges
Threatened & Endangered Species	Not likely to adversely affect the northern long eared bat; does not intersect with bald eagle concentration areas or nests	Not likely to adversely affect the northern long eared bat; does not intersect with bald eagle concentration areas or nests
Hazardous materials	9 documented petroleum releases sites and 1 hazardous waste report were identified on 4 parcels	1 documented petroleum release site and 1 hazardous waste report were identified on a parcel
Indirect & Cumulative effects	Minimal impacts expected since the proposed project is along an existing roadway	Minimal impacts expected since the proposed project is along an existing roadway
Section 4(f)	Not anticipated, if right of way impacts occur to 4(f) properties, impacts will likely be considered <i>di minimis</i>	Not anticipated, if right of way impacts occur to 4(f) properties, impacts will likely be considered <i>di minimis</i>

Design Alternatives: Option 1A & Option 1B

